

MATCH-MAKING IN ELECTRONIC TRADING SYSTEMS

Abstract

A method, apparatus, and system is provided for determining, in a trader device of an electronic trading system, whether a match exists between a client requirement, 5 provided by a client device of the system, and a supplier offer stored in trader device. The supplier offer comprises feature data, indicative of a set of features of an offered product, including at least one updatable feature data element . The updatable feature data element is indicative of a variable feature of the offered product and includes address data indicative of a location from which a current specification of the variable feature can be 10 obtained by the trader device in response to an update request from the trader device.